(ग) उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

खाद्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्प नाथ राय) : (क) इस समय उत्तर प्रदेश में खलीलाबाद, चीनी मिल, खलीलाबाद, जिला बस्ती बन्द पड़ी है ।

(ख) से (घ) मौसम में पेराई शुरू करने की जिम्मेदारी चीनी फैक्ट्रियों की होती है । तथापि, सरकार अपनी ओर से चीनी फैक्टरियों की आर्थिक व्यवहार्यता को सुधारने के लिये प्रति वर्ष चीनी नीति की घोषणा करती है । उत्तर प्रदेश राज्य सरकार ने सूचित किया है कि खलीलाबाद चीनी मिल प्लांट की क्षमता विस्तार और वित्तीय संकट के कारण पेराई शुरू नहीं कर सकी ।

Enquiry against sugar import

1591. SHRI JALALUDDIN ANSARI:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a preliminary administration inquiry has been ordered into the mismanagement of matters relating to sugar availability and imports; and

(b) if so, the details and by when the enquiry is expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) Government has decided to conduct a preliminary administrative enquiry regarding the situation arising out of shortage in availability of sugar in the current sugar season. This enquiry has been entrusted to Shri Gian Prakash, retired Comptroller and Auditor General of India. He is expected to submit his report in one month's time.

Indian Hockey

1592. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Hockey is in a bad shape;

(b) whether the performance of country's hockey team in international matches has been very dismal and the morale of the players has gone down;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a few youngsters prefer to take up hockey; and

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take to revive interest in hockey and bring it at par with international standards ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. The Indan Hockey team is in the process of rebuilding and as per the reports available the players are shaping well.

(c) and (d). The Sports Authority of India under its various schemes such as National Sports Talent Contest Scheme, Sports Project Development Area Scheme, Special Area Games Army Boys Sports Company and Sports Hostel Scheme is nurturing 512 sportspersons in the discipline of Hockey. In addition, technical assistance is also given to the Hockey Federation to organise coaching camps for various age groups and also for sending teams abroad for [illegible] exposure.